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## Bill Summary

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This bill conforms the treatment of wagering losses under the Minnesota alternative minimum tax (AMT) to their treatment under the federal AMT.

**Background.** Under present law for both Minnesota and federal purposes, wagering losses are deductible as itemized deductions to the extent that they offset wagering income. Under federal law, this deduction also applies to the AMT. The Minnesota tax requires this deduction to be added to federal alternative minimum taxable income in computing the state AMT. The bill eliminates that addition and, thus, allows wagering losses to reduce wagering income in computing the Minnesota AMT.